

FILED IN THE
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Mar 31, 2025

SEAN F. MCAVOY, CLERK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

MELISSA R.,¹

Plaintiff,

v.

LELAND DUDEK, Acting
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

No. 2:24-cv-377-EFS

**ORDER GRANTING THE
PARTIES' STIPULATED
MOTION FOR REMAND
PURSUANT TO SENTENCE
FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g)**

The parties agree that the matter should be reversed and remanded to the Commissioner of Social Security pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) for further administrative proceedings. The parties also agree that Plaintiff is entitled to reasonable attorney fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), upon

¹ For privacy reasons, the Court refers to every social security plaintiff by first name and last initial or by "Plaintiff." *See* LCivR 5.2(c).

proper request to the Court. Consistent with the parties' agreement,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, **ECF No. 19**, is **GRANTED**.
2. This matter is **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). On remand, the Appeals Council is to instruct the ALJ to develop the record as necessary, reconsider all relevant issues, and issue a new decision.
3. The Clerk's Office shall **TERM** the hearing and Plaintiff's brief, **ECF No. 14**, enter **JUDGMENT** in favor of Plaintiff, and **CLOSE** the case.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk's Office is directed to enter this Order and provide copies to all counsel.

DATED this 31st day of March 2025.



EDWARD F. SHEA
Senior United States District Judge